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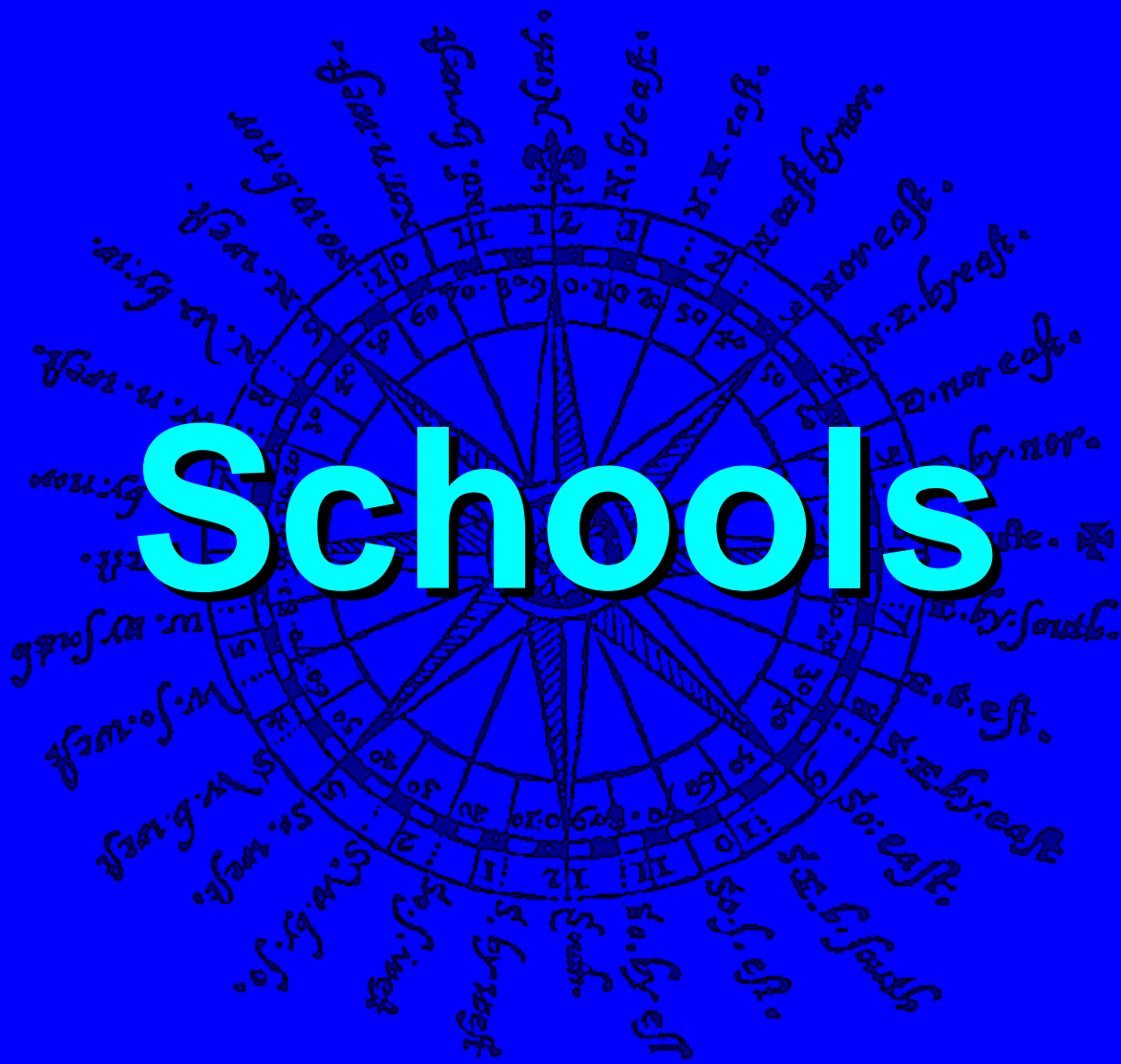
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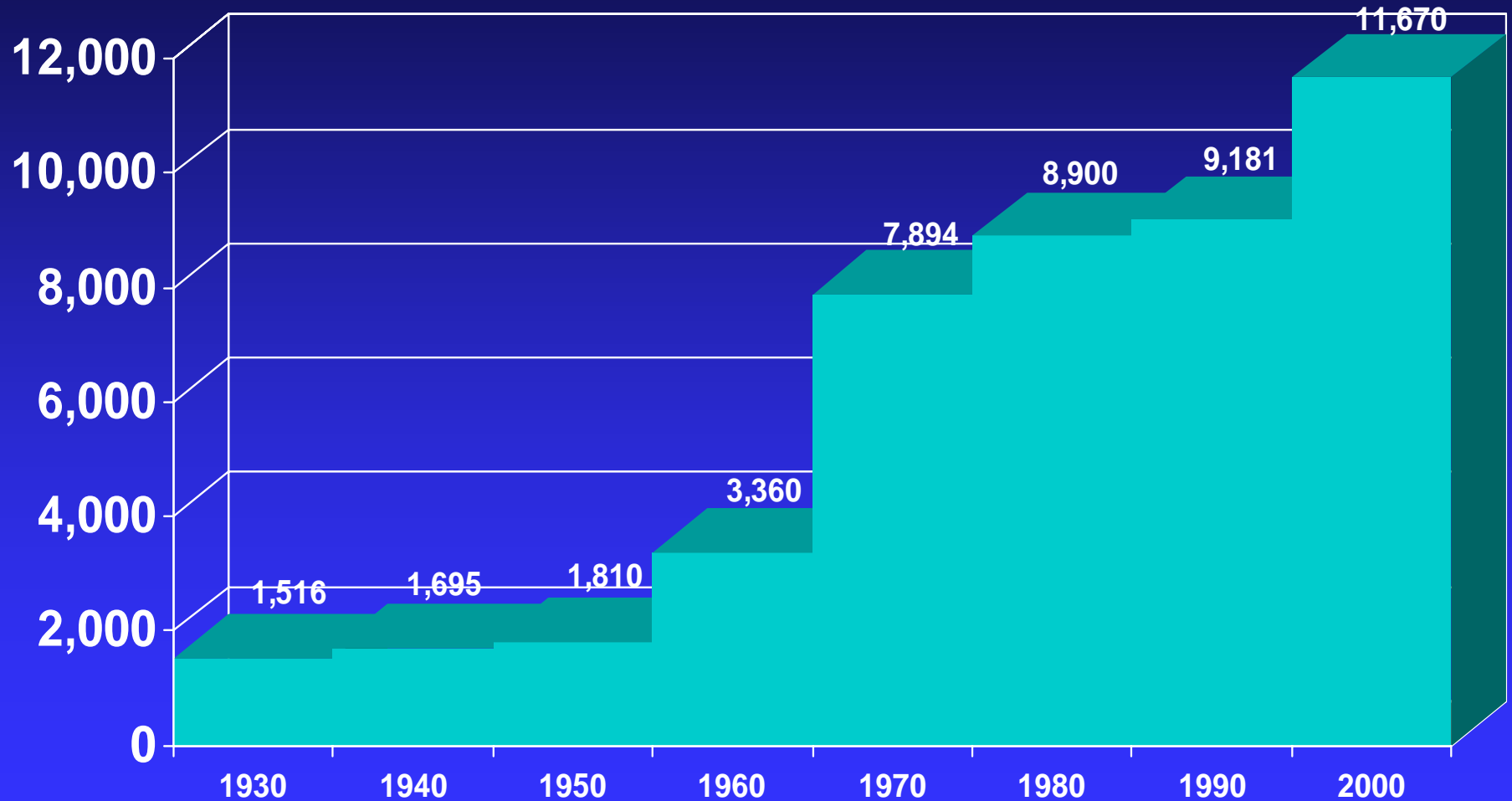
**York County Comprehensive Plan Review
Steering Committee**

February 22, 2005

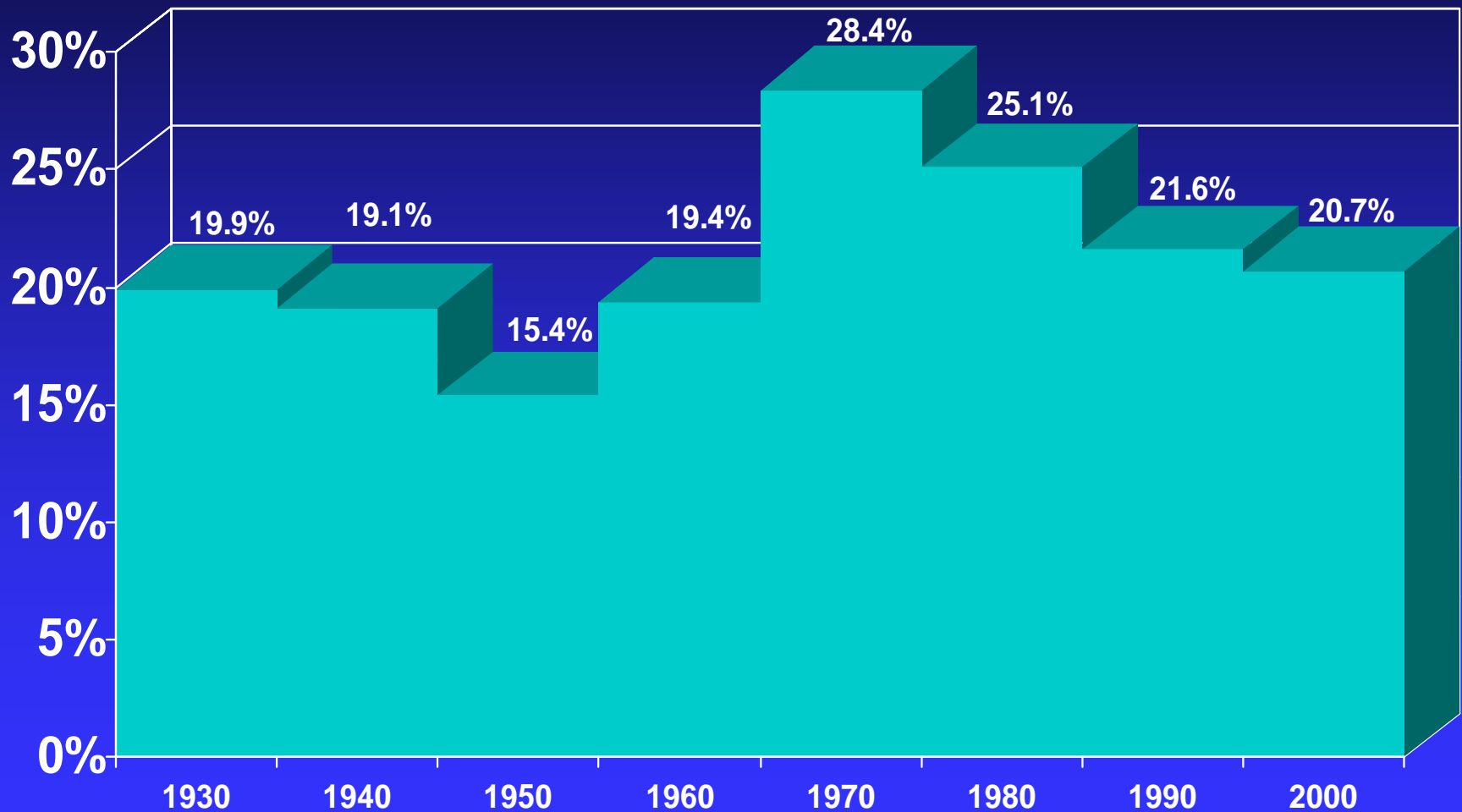
Schools



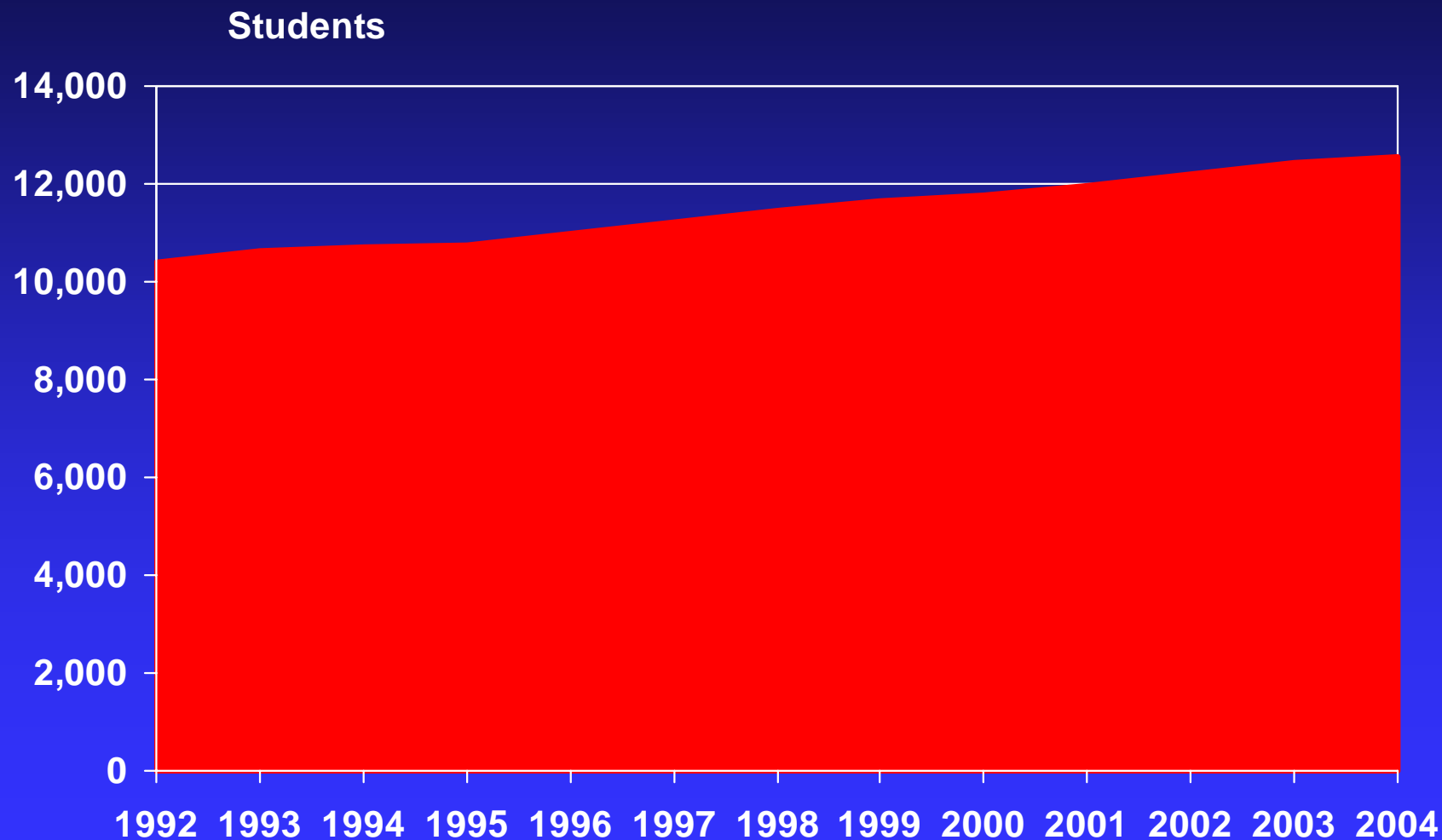
School enrollment has grown almost continually for the past 75 years.



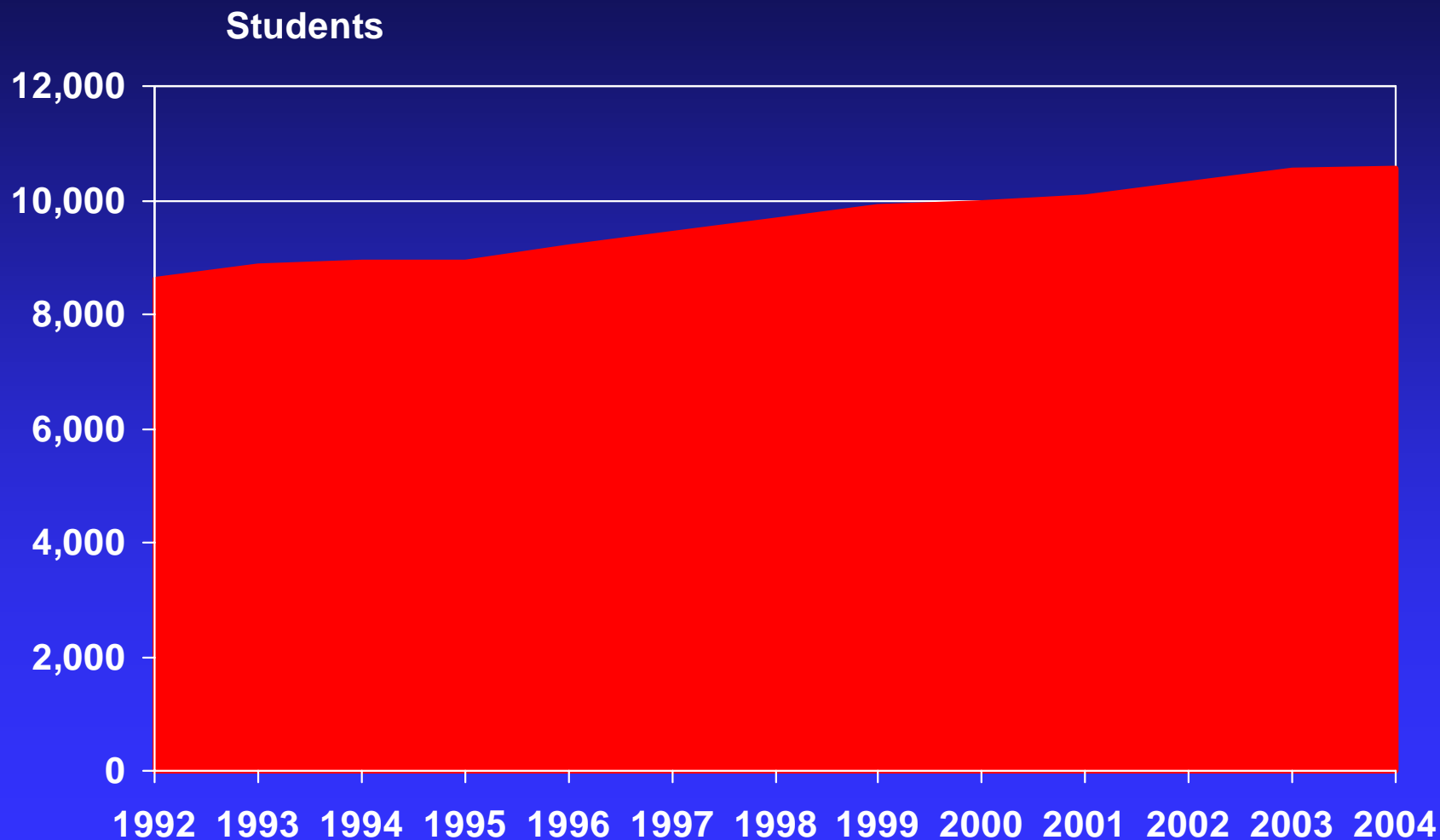
The ratio of school students to the total population peaked in 1970.



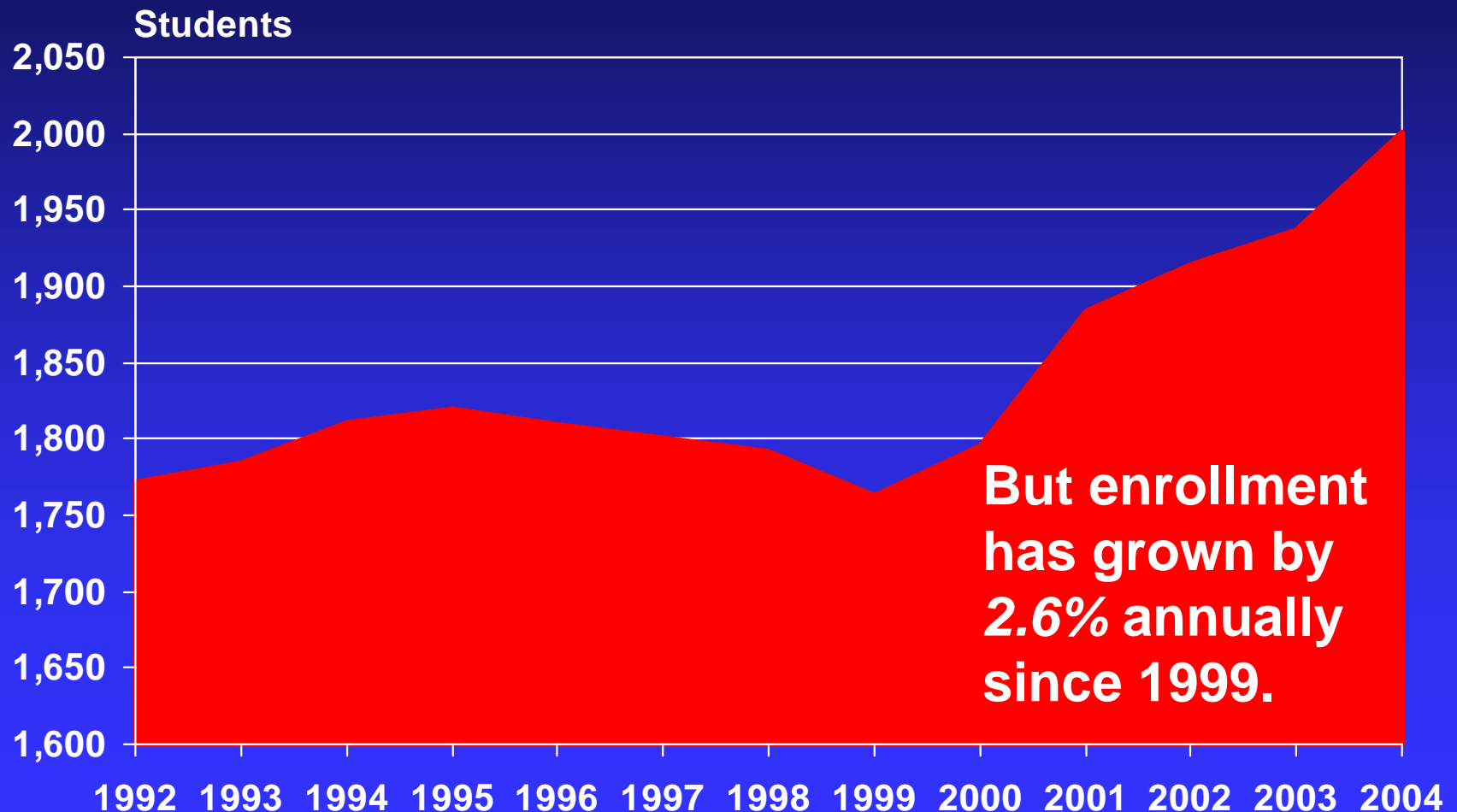
School enrollment has grown by an average of 1.6% annually since 1992...



...growing by an average of 1.7% annually in the lower County...

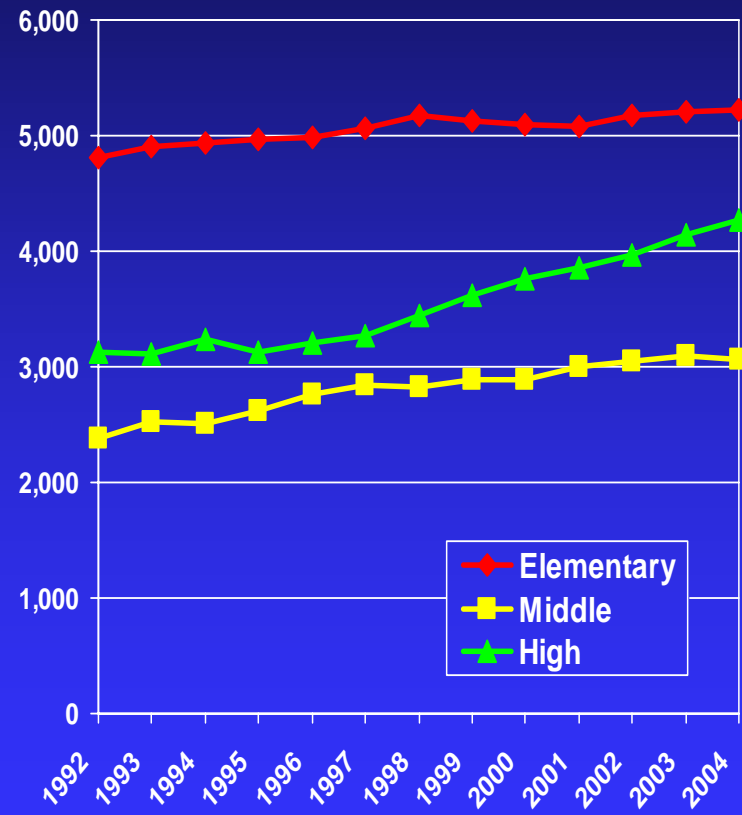


...and 1.0% per year in
the upper County.



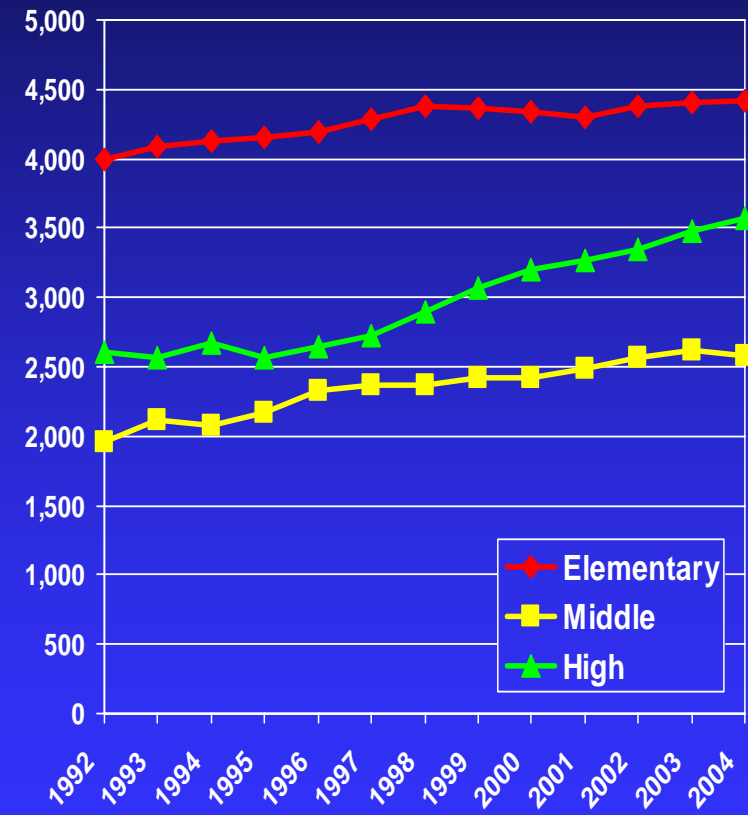
School enrollment in the County has grown 21% since 1992.

- High: +36%
- Middle: +28%
- Elementary: +9%



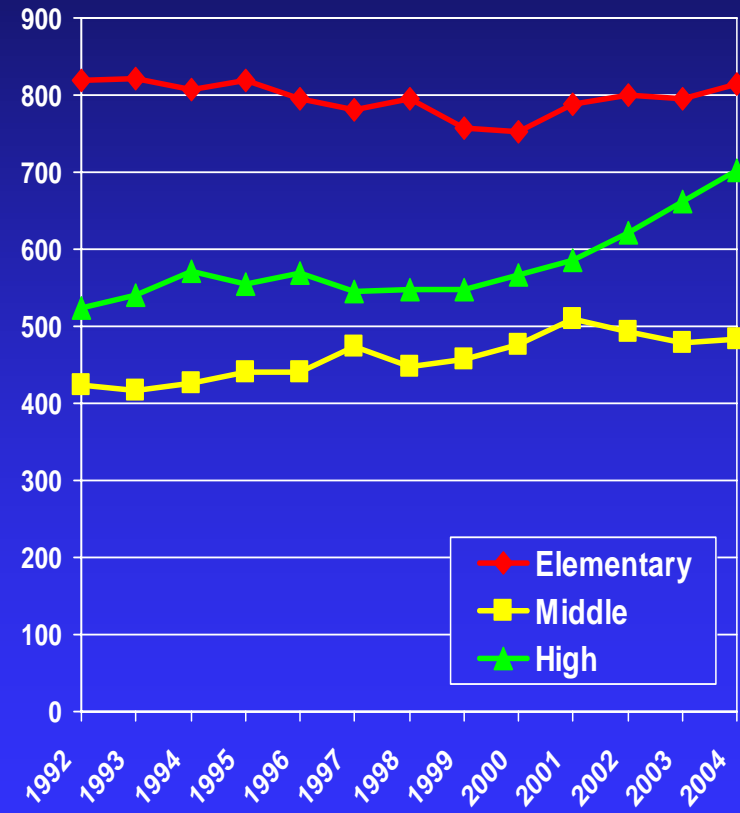
Lower County school enrollment has grown 23% since 1992.

- High: +37%
- Middle: +32%
- Elementary: +11%

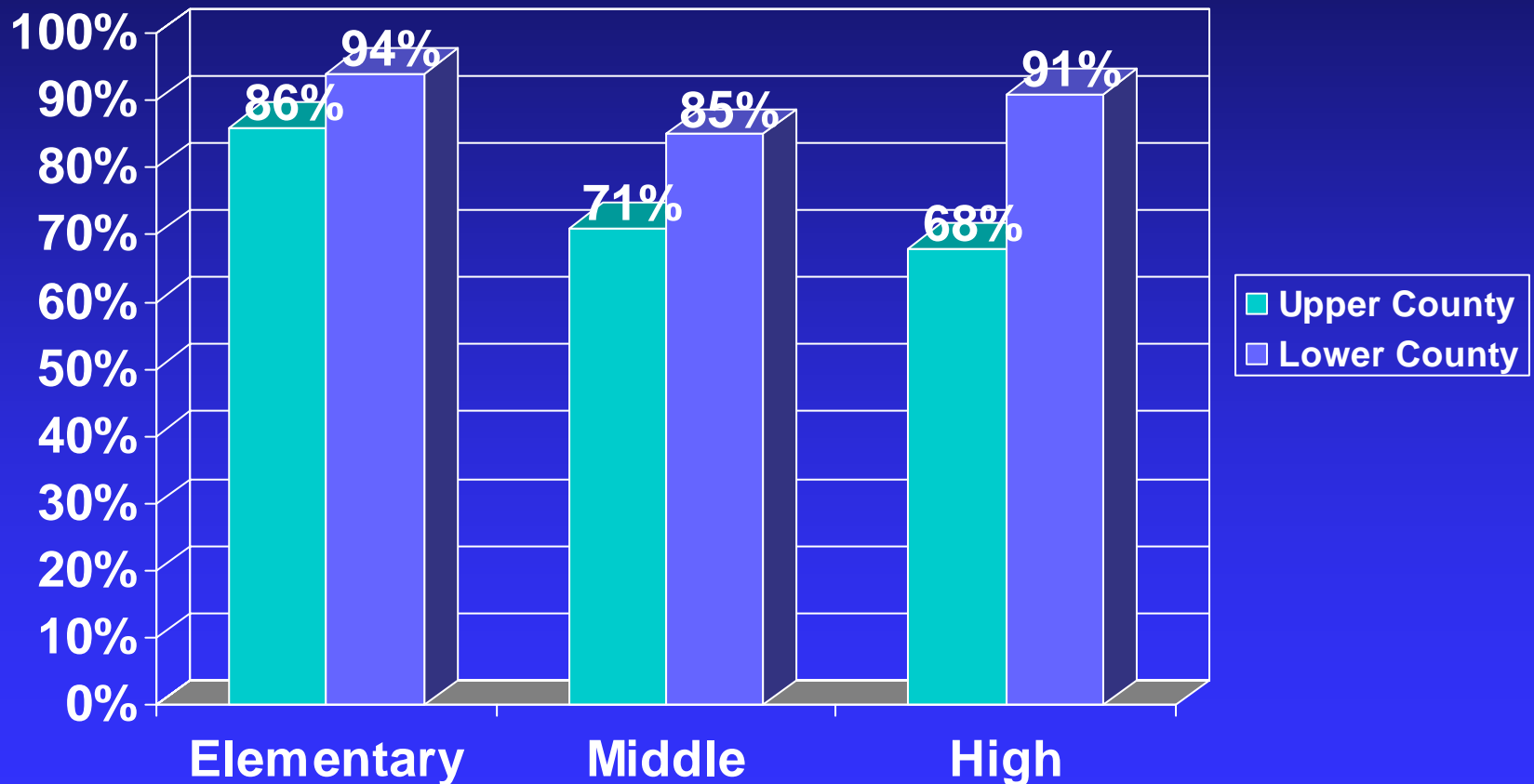


Upper County school enrollment has grown 13% since 1992.

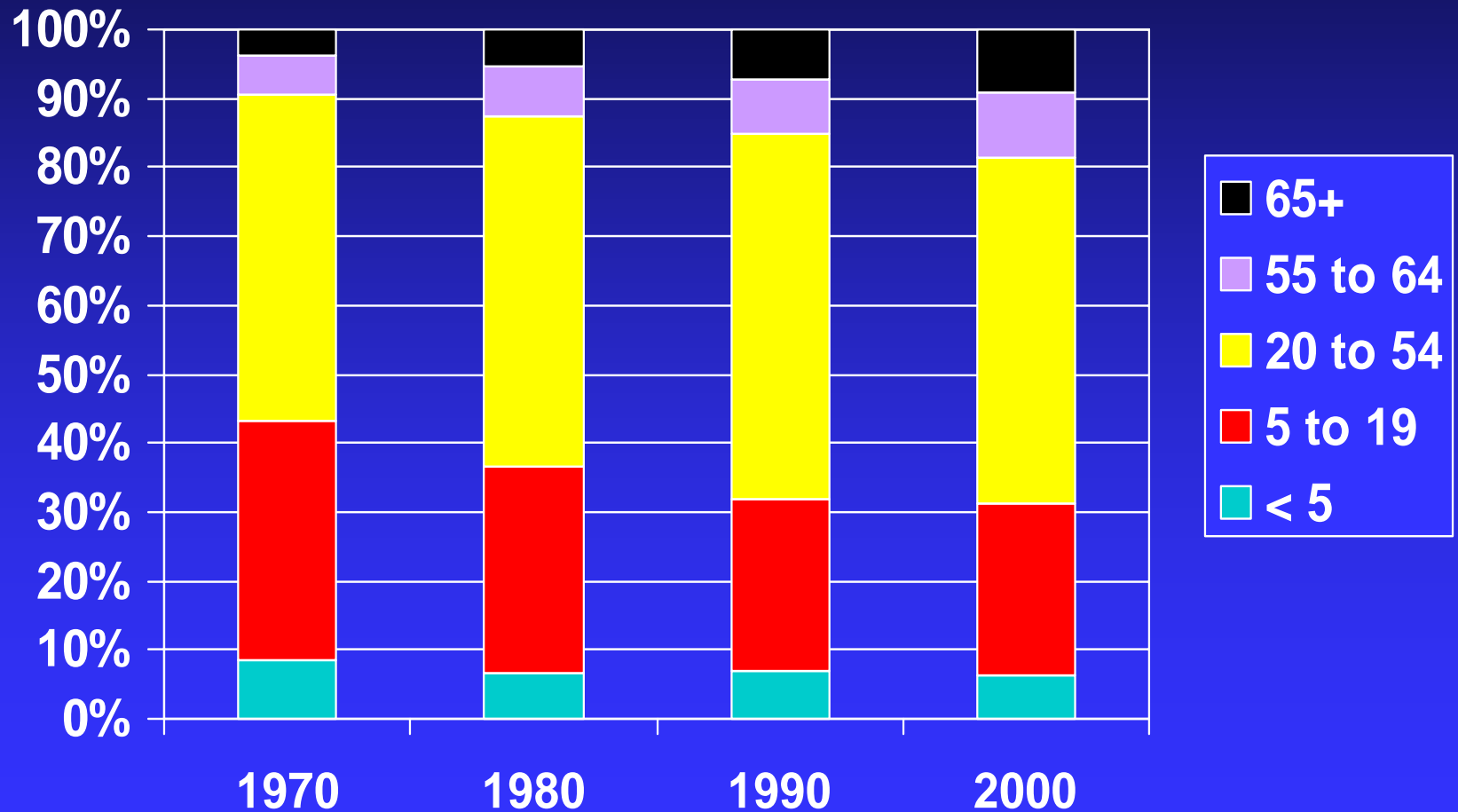
- High: +34%
- Middle: +14%
- Elementary: -0.5%



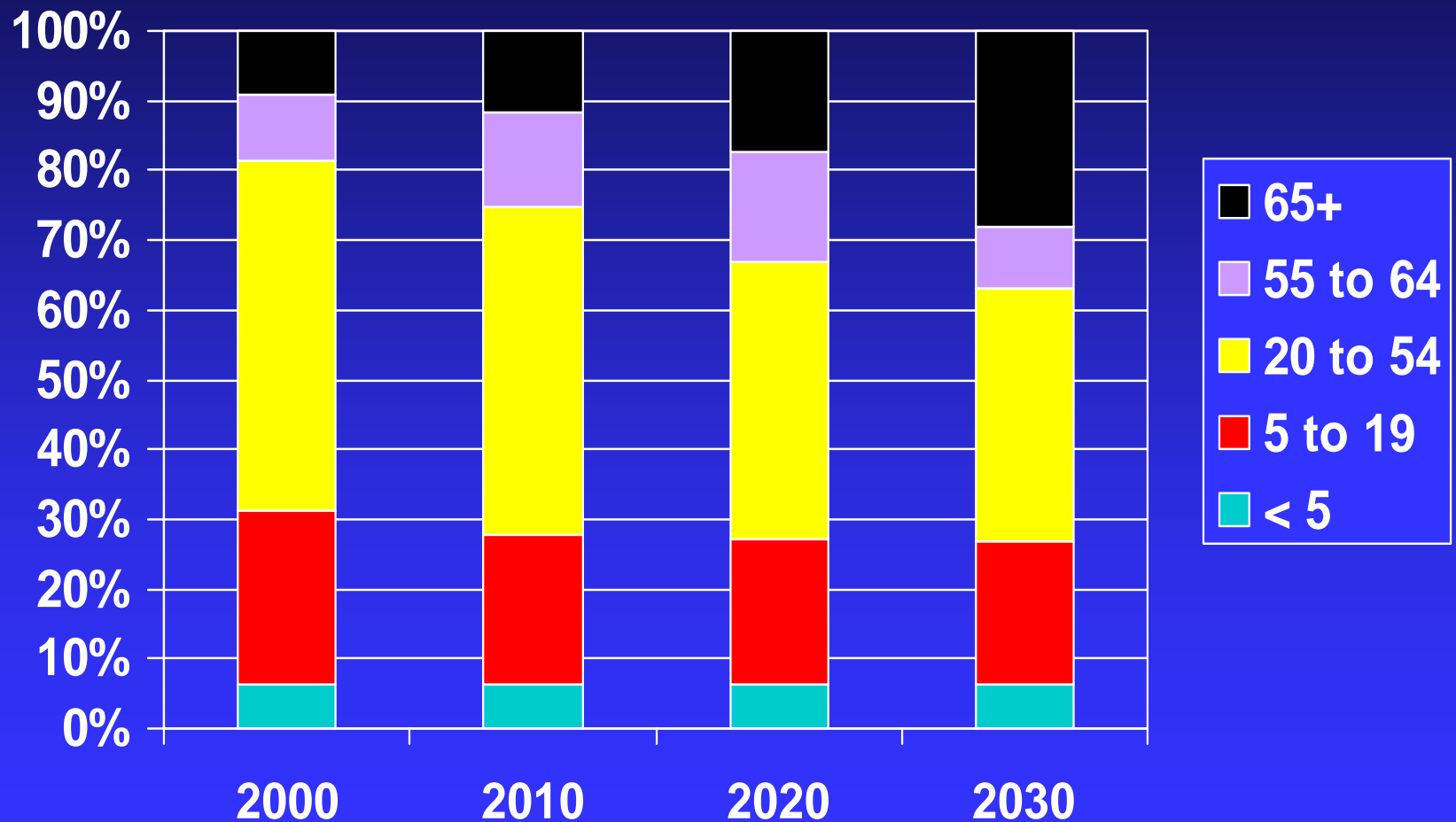
Surplus capacity exists at every grade level in upper and lower County.



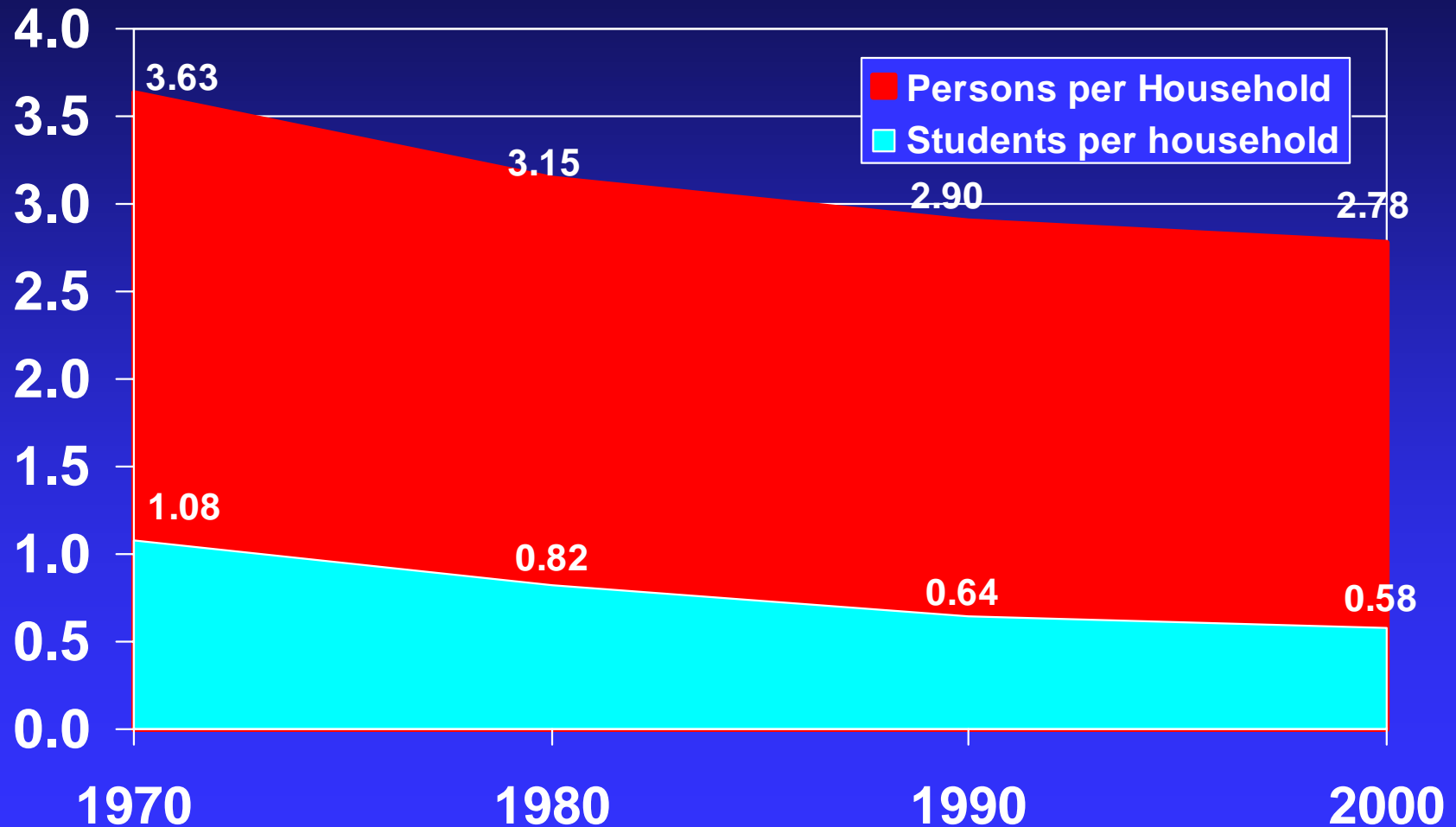
The population is getting older...



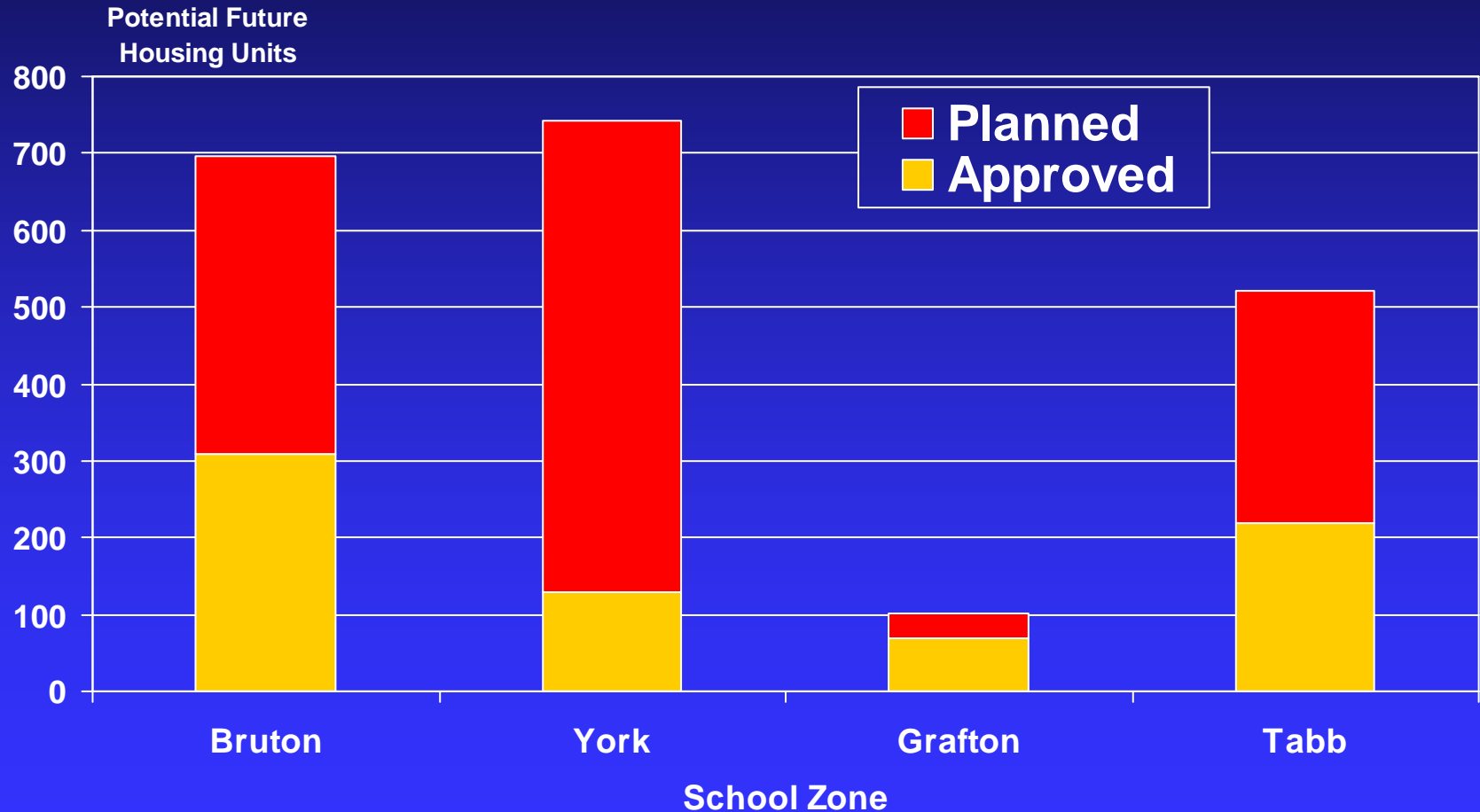
...and will continue to so,
especially after 2010.



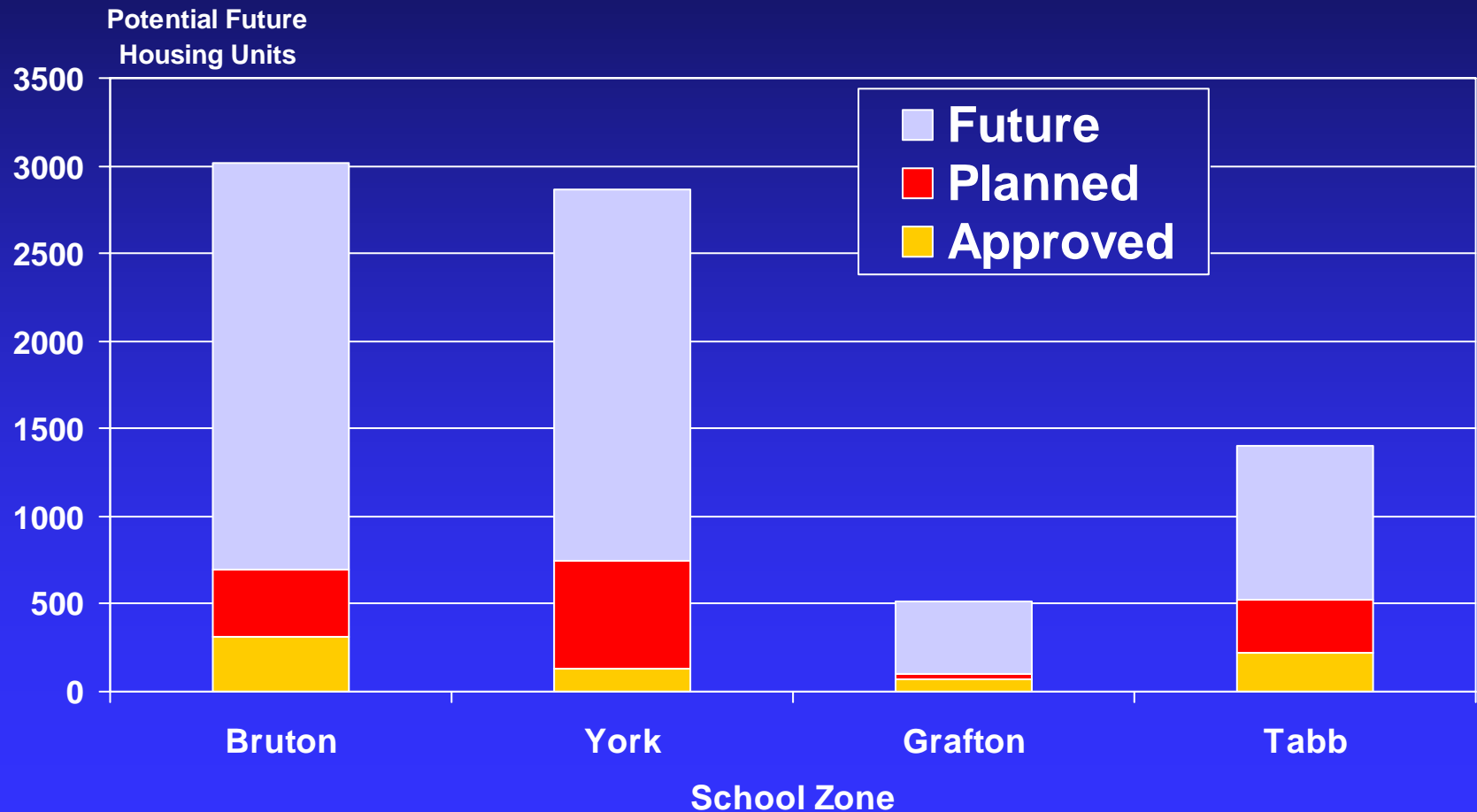
As household sizes have fallen, so has the number of students per household.



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York County Schools

Questions??



York County Library

- Library, in York County is integral in:
 - ◆ Supporting literacy
 - ◆ Providing opportunities for life long learning
 - ◆ Contributing to high quality of life
- Fosters a sense of community
- Serves as focal point for citizen interaction
- Open to anyone

York County Library Facilities

- Two library facilities
 - ◆ Yorktown Library
 - ◆ Oldest library opened in 1984
 - ◆ 11,900 square foot building
 - ◆ located in the Grafton area off Route 17
 - ◆ Tabb Library
 - ◆ Most recent addition opened in 1999
 - ◆ 32,000 square foot facility
 - ◆ Located on Route 134 in Tabb

Upper York County Library Services

- Williamsburg-James City County Regional Library System
 - ◆ Two facilities
 - ◆ Williamsburg Library
 - 40,000 square feet
 - ◆ Norge Library
 - 35,000 square feet
 - ◆ Regional Library operates book mobile
 - Serves six locations in upper York County.
 - ◆ York County voluntarily contributes
 - ◆ FY2004-05 contributed 4.48% of the Williamsburg Regional Library System's budget

Library Measures of Service and Quality

■ Virginia State Library Board (VSLB)

◆ *Planning for Library Excellence*

◆ Defined planning profiles

- Quantitatively measure service levels
- Comparisons with peer libraries

◆ Profiles use parameters (total and per capita)

- Materials
- Circulation
- Number of outlets
- Reference transactions
- Visits
- Number of registered borrowers

Library Measures of Service and Quality

■ Virginia State Library Board (VSLB)

◆ *Planning for Library Excellence*

- ◆ Five planning profiles to categorize
 - Three service levels for comparisons
- ◆ Profiles can:
 - Determine current condition
 - Set targets for future developments
 - Determine measurable achievement

VSLB Planning Profiles

	Characteristics							
	Library Size	Settings	Population	Diversity	Level of Service	Service Responses	Outlets	ALA MLS*
Profile I	Small	Rural & Towns	Low	Limited	Limited	02-Jan	One Site (Median)	1
Profile II	Small to Medium	Rural & Towns	Low to Medium	Some	Limited	03-Feb	Two (Median)	1
Profile III	Medium	Rural, Towns, Small Cities	Medium	Moderate	Medium	04-Mar	Four (Median)	04-Feb
Profile IV	Medium to Large	Cities & Suburban Counties	Medium to High	Moderate to Extensive	Medium to High	05-Apr	Six (Median)	24-Sep
Profile V	Large	Urban & Large Suburban Counties	High	Extensive	High	5 or more	Nine (Median)	More Than 30

Source: 2000 - *Planning for Library Excellence* - Virginia State Library Board

*American Library Association - *Master of Library Science*

York County Library

- County Library System operates in the top 35% compared to other libraries in Virginia.
 - ◆ Circulation
 - ◆ 679,983 materials checked out
 - ◆ 11.58 per capita ratio
 - ◆ Visits
 - ◆ 424,970 people yearly
 - ◆ 7.24 per capita
 - ◆ Registered borrowers
 - ◆ 51,862 library cards
 - ◆ Per capita ratio of 0.81
 - ◆ Reference transactions
 - ◆ 59,120 per year
 - ◆ Per capita ratio is 1.01

York County Library

- Library's service parameter are performing at a planning Profile IV
 - ◆ Cities & Suburban Counties
 - ◆ Medium to high populations
 - ◆ Medium to large library size
- Below Profile IV in:
 - ◆ Materials
 - ◆ 155,255 (Profile III)
 - ◆ Per capita ratio 2.28 (Profile I)
 - ◆ Outlets
 - ◆ Two facilities (Profile II)

Comparison With Similar Libraries 2003

	York County	Williamsburg Regional	Hampton	Newport News	Portsmouth	Lynchburg	Fauquier County	Bedford County
Service Population	58,800	64,400	145,200	179,300	98,400	65,600	58,900	67,800
Library Outlets	2	3	6	6	4	2	3	7
Librarians with MLS¹	4	19	10	12	9	8.5	5	5
Total FTEs²	28	81	65.99	82.98	34	32.65	38.64	34
Reference Transactions	53,055	112,787	121,157	124,929	25,094	41,762	46,430	26,500
Total Circulation	679,983	1,282,189	718,088	635,812	326,862	466,092	437,834	459,391
Children's Circulation	282,383	491,792	258,012	152,386	N/A	218,432	219,494	N/A
Circulation per Week	13,076.60	24,657.48	13,890.38	12,227.15	6,285.81	8,963.31	8,419.88	8,834.44

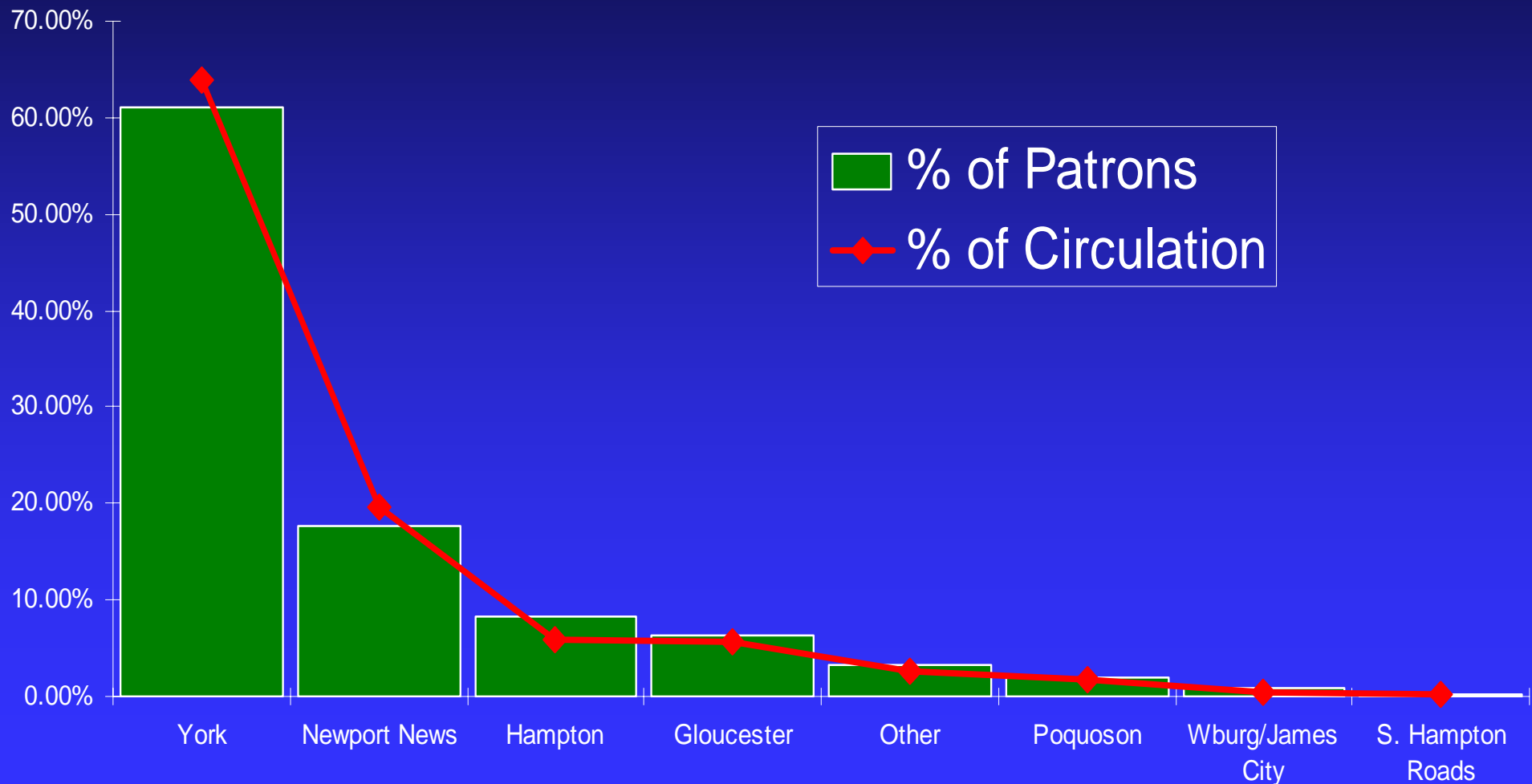
Based on figures from Library of Virginia Public Library Statistics 2003

1 - Master Library Science

2 - Full Time Employee

York County Library

Registered Borrowers/Circulation by Locality 2004



York County Library

Workload Indicators

	FY2000*	FY2004	Percent Change FY'00-FY'04
Materials	103,306	155,255	50.30%
Circulation	342,262	676,857	97.80%
Meeting Room Reservations	797	2,512	215.20%
Adult Programs	631	43	-31.70%
Adult Programs Attendance	19,241	704	-63.40%
Children's Programs	4081	567	39%
Children's Program Attendance	4,470	13,877	210.40%
Public Use Computers	26	55	111.50%
Public Use Printers	10	18	80.00%

*The Tabb Library opened in October 1999, during FY2000.

¹ – not tracked until 2003

York County Library

■ Technology

- ◆ Computer terminals increased by 111.5%
- ◆ Seven new printers
- ◆ *Planning for Excellence*
 - ◆ Guidelines for determining space needs
 - Recommends 40 square feet for each computer terminal,
 - Material storage varies:
 - Seven adult books/linear foot
 - 12 video cassette/linear foot
- ◆ Wireless networking added to both locations
- ◆ Meeting rooms renovated
 - ◆ Updating equipment to latest technology
 - ◆ Bookings are being made months in advance

York County Library

■ Outlook

- ◆ Expansion in the number and size of facilities
- ◆ Increase staff to support library service to the public
- ◆ Install security system in each library to reduce material theft

York County Library

Questions??

York County Recreational Programs

- Variety of programs for
 - ◆ Active and passive recreation
 - ◆ Youth and adults

York County Recreational Programs

- Youth programs including:
 - ◆ Soccer,
 - ◆ Tennis,
 - ◆ Basketball,
 - ◆ Roller skating,
 - ◆ Summer playgrounds,
 - ◆ Sports and recreation camps, and
 - ◆ Variety of instructional classes (art, music, dance, etc.)

York County Recreational Programs

- Adult programs include:
 - ◆ Softball
 - ◆ Basketball
 - ◆ Tennis
 - ◆ Volleyball
 - ◆ Aerobics, and
 - ◆ Instructional classes

York County Recreational Programs

- Senior adults

- ◆ Senior Center of York

- ◆ Located in the Washington Square Shopping Center

- ◆ Wide variety of:

- Activities
- Classes
- Special events, and
- Trips

York County Recreational Programs

- Senior adults

- ◆ Senior Center of York

- ◆ Lower County residents

- ◆ Historic Triangle Senior Center

- ◆ Located in the James City County-Williamsburg Community Center

- ◆ Serves Upper County Seniors

- ◆ Similar activities

York County Recreational Programs

- Residents of all ages can participate:
 - ◆ Open gym program
 - ◆ Elementary school gymnasium
 - ◆ Throughout the year
 - ◆ Geared toward casual/pick-up basketball
 - ◆ Instructional classes
 - ◆ Various locations throughout the County
 - ◆ “Skate, Rattle, and Roll” skating
 - ◆ Upper County - Historic Triangle Community Services Center
 - ◆ Lower County - Dare Elementary School gymnasium.

York County Recreational Programs

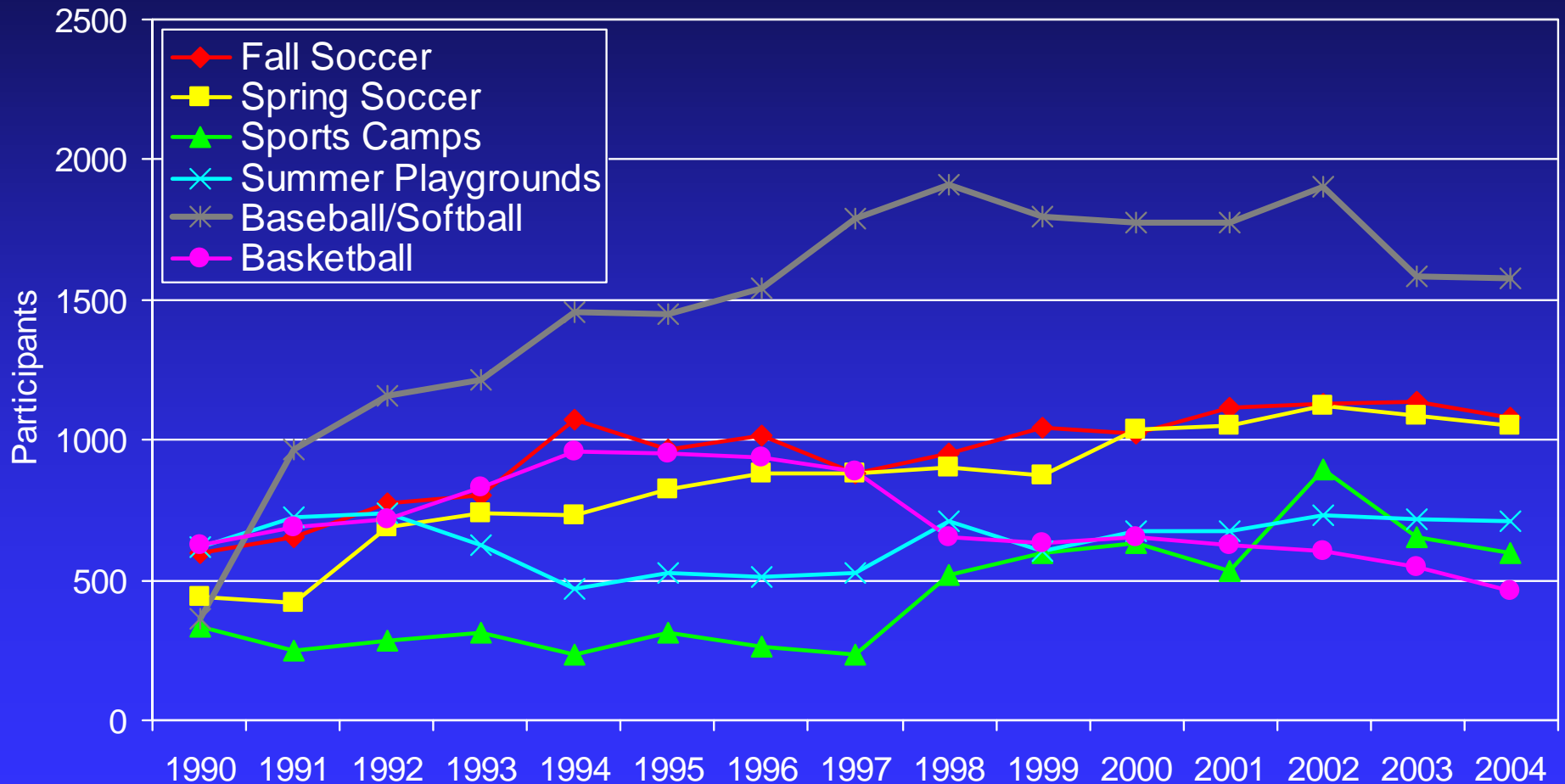
- Other recreational programs are available through private organizations or other public agencies.
 - ◆ Private organizations sponsoring programs include:
 - ◆ four youth baseball/softball associations
 - ◆ four youth football/cheerleading associations
 - ◆ four soccer clubs
 - ◆ three swim team/aquatic clubs
 - ◆ two youth wrestling associations
 - ◆ one lacrosse association.

York County Recreational Programs

- Other recreational programs are available through private organizations or other public agencies.
 - ◆ Williamsburg and James City County Parks and Recreation Departments
- Many of these organizations use County facilities, and they meet a significant portion of the demand in the County for recreational activities.

York County Recreational Programs

Youth Participation

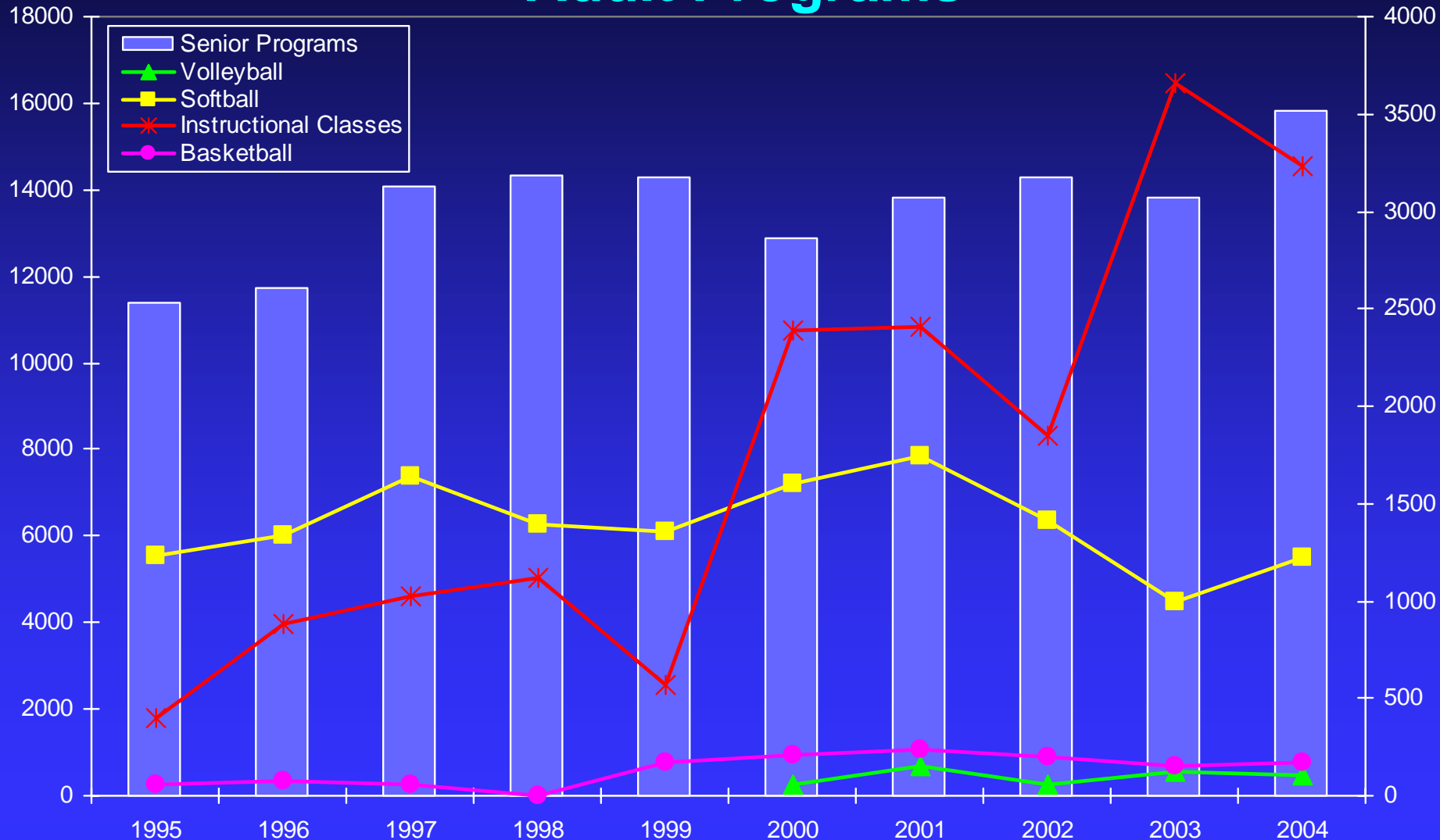


York County Recreational Programs

- While the numbers have decreased slightly there has been a large influx of private and church groups offering similar programs.
 - ◆ Youth basketball leagues
 - ◆ Three churches
 - ◆ Amateur Athletic Union (AAU)
 - ◆ AAU basketball and softball teams
 - ◆ Approximately 15-20 private AAU baseball and softball teams
 - ◆ Exact numbers fluctuate

York County Recreational Programs

Adult Programs



York County School/Park Facilities

- “School/Park Concept”
 - ◆ Development of recreational facilities at school sites for community use
 - ◆ Effective means of providing:
 - Athletic fields
 - Gymnasiums
 - Basketball courts
 - Tennis courts
 - Playground areas

York County School/Park Facilities

- In 1991

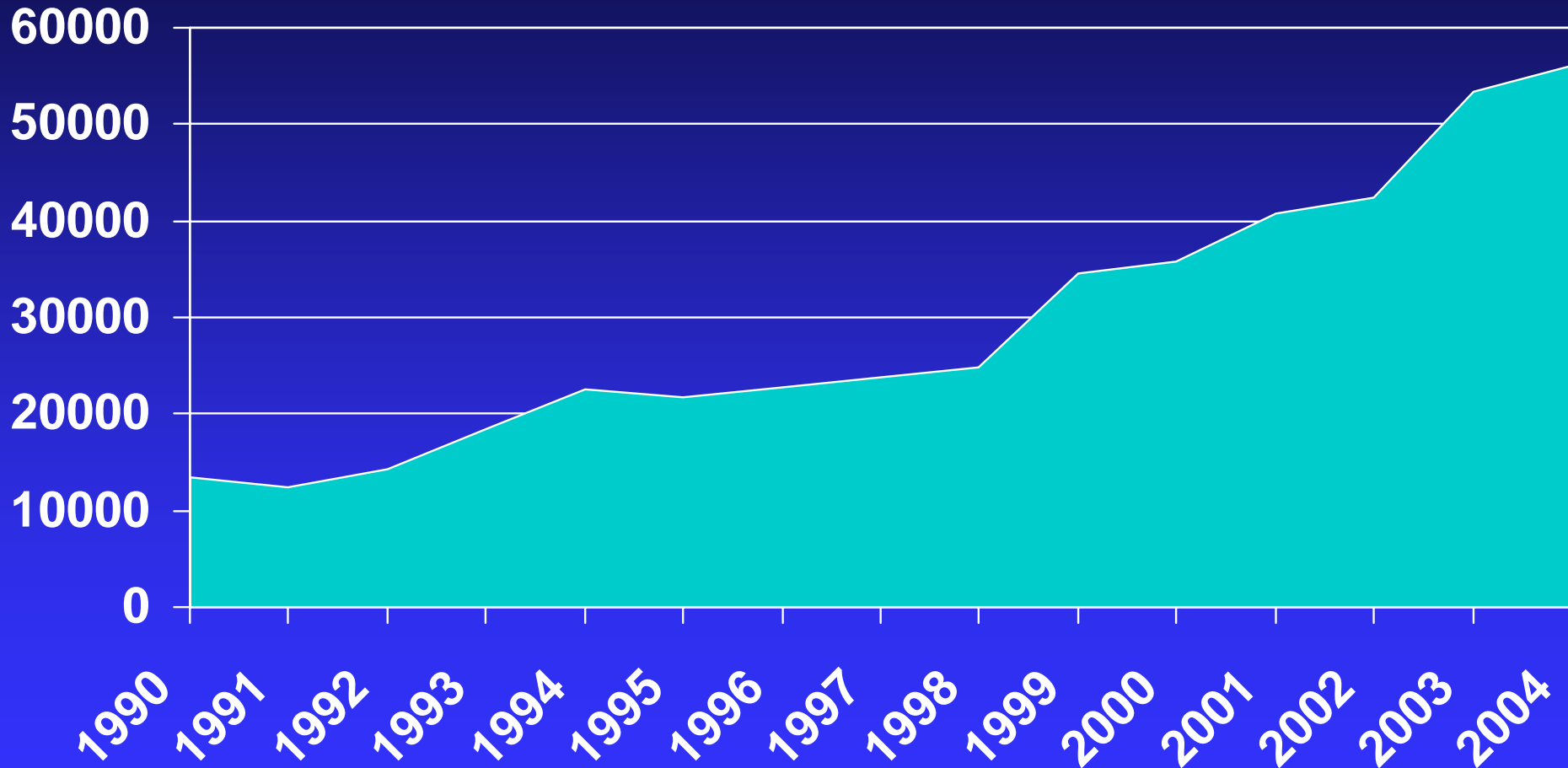
- ◆ Board of Supervisors and the School Board entered into an agreement:

- ◆ Whereby the Parks and Recreation Division assumed responsibility for scheduling after-school use of gymnasiums and outdoor facilities at all elementary schools and three of the four middle schools.

- Agreement was updated in 1997

York County School/Park Facilities

Reservation Hours



York County Park and Recreation Facilities

■ County facilities include:

- ◆ Back Creek Park
- ◆ Charles E. Brown Park
- ◆ Chisman Creek Park
- ◆ Kiln Creek Park
- ◆ New Quarter Park
- ◆ Wolf Trap Park
- ◆ Yorktown Waterfront
- ◆ Public Boat Landings
 - ◆ Old Wormley Creek
 - ◆ Rodgers A. Smith

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

- County rents space:

- ◆ Washington Square Shopping Center in Grafton
 - ◆ Senior Center of York
- ◆ Historic Triangle Community Services Center on Waller Mill Road
 - ◆ “Skate, Rattle and Roll” skating program

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

- Also are several non-County parks
 - ◆ Colonial National Historical Park
 - ◆ owned and operated by the National Park Service
 - ◆ Waller Mill Park (City of Williamsburg)
 - ◆ Harwoods Mill Park (City of Newport News)

- Private recreational facilities

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

■ Back Creek Park

- ◆ Goodwin Neck Road in the Seaford area.
- ◆ 27 acres of waterfront property
- ◆ Opened for use in 1981
- ◆ Facilities include:
 - ◆ Six lighted tennis courts
 - ◆ Boat launching facility
 - ◆ Fishing/Crabbing pier
 - ◆ Small picnic area and a rest room building with a small office for seasonal staff who oversee park activities.
- ◆ Back Creek Park serves as the hub for tennis programs
 - ◆ Include leagues, lessons, camps and tournaments for youths and adults.

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

■ Charles E. Brown Park

- ◆ Route 238 in Lackey
- ◆ 10-acre site
- ◆ Opened in 1978 (County's first park)
- ◆ Facilities include:
 - ◆ Community Services Center Building (3,000 square foot)
 - Two small meeting rooms and a large meeting room with a kitchenette
 - ◆ Two tennis courts
 - ◆ Two basketball courts (one lighted)
 - ◆ Baseball field
 - ◆ Playground area
 - ◆ Picnic shelter
 - ◆ Interpretive wetlands areas
 - ◆ Rest room facility

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

■ Chisman Creek Park

- ◆ Wolf Trap Road in Grafton
- ◆ 13-acre parcel
- ◆ Opened in Spring of 1991
- ◆ Facilities include:
 - ◆ Two lighted softball fields
 - ◆ Rest room
- ◆ Primary site for the adult softball league program.
- ◆ Demand for lighted athletic fields requires use for soccer play in the fall.

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

■ Wolf Trap Park

- ◆ Wolf Trap Road
- ◆ 28-acre site
- ◆ Opened in 1992
- ◆ Facilities include:
 - ◆ Four soccer fields
 - ◆ Rest room facility
 - ◆ Two small ponds.

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

■ Kiln Creek Park

- ◆ Kiln Creek Parkway in Tabb
- ◆ 20-acre site (future School/Park site)
- ◆ Opened in spring of 1998
- ◆ Facilities include:
 - ◆ Lighted soccer field
 - ◆ Lighted baseball field
 - ◆ Youth baseball/softball field
 - ◆ Two basketball courts
 - ◆ Playground area
 - ◆ Small picnic shelter
 - ◆ Rest room facility

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

■ New Quarter Park

- ◆ Adjacent to Queens Lake and Colonial Parkway
- ◆ 545-acre tract
- ◆ 2004-05 Renovated
- ◆ Only eight acres developed for use & ~95 acres open grassy areas.

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

■ New Quarter Park

◆ Facilities include:

- ◆ 14 Picnic shelters (3 available for group rental)
- ◆ Campfire circle with seating for 100 people
- ◆ Softball field
- ◆ Two half basketball courts
- ◆ Sand volleyball court
- ◆ Horseshoe courts
- ◆ Floating pier on Queen Creek
- ◆ Three miles of natural surface hiking trails
- ◆ 5.5 miles of mountain bike trails
- ◆ One-mile asphalt pedestrian/bike path
- ◆ Two playground areas.

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

■ Yorktown Waterfront

- ◆ Along the York River in historic Yorktown
- ◆ 12.5 acres
- ◆ Provides Opportunities:
 - ◆ Swimming
 - ◆ Sunbathing
 - ◆ Beach picnicking
 - ◆ Fishing
 - ◆ Boating

- Property came under the ownership of the County in July 2003. In 2004, the County began construction of Riverwalk Landing.

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

■ Riverwalk Landing

◆ Facilities include:

- ◆ 21,000 square-foot retail/restaurant destination, that will consist of eight new buildings, a renovated freight shed and parking terrace.
- ◆ Yorktown Pier renovated into a fishing pier
- ◆ Two additional floating piers

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

■ Riverwalk Landing

◆ Two additional floating piers

- ◆ Large 395-foot T-pier, located at the foot of Ballard Street, is intended to accommodate medium to large sized vessels.
 - Space for tall ships, navy vessels, and regional cruise lines
- ◆ The second smaller pier will be located behind the restaurant and between the larger pier and the Coleman Bridge.
 - Smaller craft such as day-trippers and pleasure boaters.
- ◆ Services Include:
 - Electrical service
 - Water
 - Telephone
 - Sewer pump out facilities
 - Restroom and shower facilities for overnight boaters

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

■ Senior Center of York

- ◆ Located in 6,367 square feet of rented storefront space in the Washington Square Shopping Center in Grafton.
- ◆ The Center offers:
 - ◆ Several activities
 - ◆ Serves as a nutrition site for the Peninsula Agency on Aging

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

- The County leases ~7,000 square feet in the Historic Triangle Community Services Center
 - ◆ Waller Mill Road
 - ◆ Roller skating program
 - ◆ Began in October of 1994
 - ◆ Operates on Friday evenings, October through April.

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

- Community Center - Victory Branch of the YMCA
 - ◆ Located on route 134 adjacent to the Tabb library facility
 - ◆ Opened in January 2003
 - ◆ Serves lower County (total membership 11,081)
 - ◆ 49,000 square foot building, with:
 - ◆ Eight-lane swimming pool
 - ◆ Gymnasium
 - ◆ Health and wellness area with track
 - ◆ Aerobics studio
 - ◆ Climbing wall
 - ◆ Two racquetball courts
 - ◆ Teen center
 - ◆ Child watch area

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

- Community Center - Victory Branch of the YMCA
 - ◆ The facility has exceeded expectations and the second phase of development is under design
 - ◆ Expansion would add 11,000 square feet,
 - ◆ Increasing:
 - ◆ Health and wellness area
 - ◆ Teen center
 - ◆ Child watch area
 - ◆ Add auxiliary gymnasium and area for youth 6-12 years old

York County Park and Recreation Facilities

■ Upper County residents

- ◆ James City County-Williamsburg recreation facilities
 - ◆ York County residents can join and be reimbursed the difference between non-resident and resident fees
 - ◆ Two locations
 - James River Community Center at 8901 Pocahontas Trail (Route 60)
 - James City/Williamsburg Community Center is located at 5301 Longhill Road

Facilities for Water Access

- Back Creek Park
 - ◆ Tennis, crabbing, fishing, picnicking
- Cheatham Wilderness (Queen Creek)
 - ◆ Limited access, open by permit only, eagle/osprey nesting
- Colonial National Historic Park (York River)
 - ◆ Historic site, bike path, interpretive center, camping by permit
- New Quarter Park (Queen Creek)
 - ◆ Limited access – open to public seasonally
- Old Wormley Creek Landing
 - ◆ Launch at high tide only, dock
- Rodgers A. Smith Landing (Poquoson River)
 - ◆ Three ramps, pier for fishing and crabbing
- Yorktown Waterfront (York River)
 - ◆ Historic site, food, swimming, fishing, beach picnicking, docking and fishing pier

York County Parks and Recreation

■ Outlook

- ◆ Newport News properties
- ◆ Construction of Upper County YMCA
- ◆ Continued improvements to water access

York County Parks & Recreation

Questions??